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In re application of: Vincent E. Bryan et al
Serial No.: 08/856,846 GROUP ART UNIT: 3308
Filed: May 15, 1997 EXAMINER: M. Jones
For: "HUMAN SPINAL DISC PROSTHESIS"

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington D.C. 20231

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	5	MINUS	**20	X	() X 11.00 () X 22.00	RECEIVED
INDEP. CLAIMS	1	MINUS	**3	X	() X 40.00 () X 82.00	SEP 18 1998
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				() YES (X) NO	() \$130.00 () \$260.00 ONE TIME	Group 3700
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT		NONE

* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20 write "20" in this space.

■ Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend this time for response to the Office Action dated March 10, 1998 for three month(s) so that the period for response is extended to September 10, 1998. A check in the amount of \$ 475.00 is attached to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit account No. 08-2290. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$ _____ is attached.

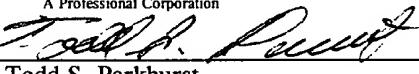
A check for \$ _____ accompanying IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(c) is attached

A check for \$ _____ and Petition for Consideration of IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(d) is attached.

■ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 08-2290. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
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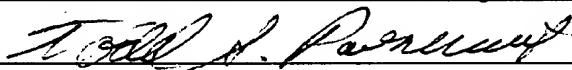
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